

Pre-Solicitation Conference, February 25, 2020

Q&A'S

No.	Industry Comment/Question	DOE Response
1	When DOE evaluates an offeror's past performance, will size of past performance be evaluated against the size of ICP task orders or against total contract annual spend?	Against the total contract annual spend.
2	Is there a "sub" breakdown of small business goals for: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Women owned• Native American• Veteran owned• Service disable veteran owned, etc.	Yes. Refer to Section L, Volume I instructions for a breakdown of the small business goals for each socioeconomic category. Also see the Section H Task Ordering Procedures clause.
3	Do the (15%) subcontracting goals apply to the transition T.O.?	The Contractor's performance in meeting small business performance percentage goals in accordance with the Section H Clause entitled, Subcontracted Work, the Contractor's separate subcontracting goals submitted at the Task Order level, and required Mentor-Protégé Agreements will be evaluated annually. The first year of the contract includes the 90-day transition period and any other Task Order issued within the first year.
4	Assuming that preparing TO 2 & 3 during transition means government is paying us to write these proposals.	Yes, Bid and Proposal costs for post award task orders will be reimbursed in accordance with the Contractor's disclosure statement; and must allowable, allocable, and reasonable.
5	Is the PMI fee above and beyond the fee in the four fee types (CPAF/CPIF, CPFF and FFP)?	The PMI fee is anticipated to be a dollar amount, over and above other fee types and amount. The overall fee or profit shall comply with the profit analysis required by FAR 15.404-4.

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6	(1 of 2) Since the government is providing the # of hours and informational rates and Offerors will have to pay incumbent workforce at their current base rates, what is purpose of J-11? (2 of 2) The only variable is fringe rate. Why not just ask for fringe rate and eliminate J-11 entirely?	DOE will consider these comments for the development of the Final RFP.
7	Are the rates that are inserted by offerors in J-11 for one-year only? Rates for outyears (past FY2022) will be negotiated for future task orders (beyond FY2022). Make clear these are binding for 2022 only.	Yes, FY 2022 only.
8	Do you plan to have the final RFP phase for ICP and SRS IMCC overlap or occur consecutively?	The final RFPs may overlap. The incumbent contract expiration dates for ICP is May 31, 2021 and for SRS IMCC is September 30, 2020. Both ICP and SRS IMCC anticipate 90-day transition periods. It is DOE's objective is to minimize or prevent the need for current contract extensions.
9	Many key personnel are currently "stuck" in the Hanford proposals. It would be highly advantageous to DOE to finalize those decisions before Idaho & SRS RFPs are final.	The Department is working as fast as we can with the other procurements. DOE understands the need to free up key personnel, which is another reason DOE has streamlined the source selection process to further reduce procurement lead times.
10	The application of the end-state IDIQ contract may have different applications for SRS-IMCC. Should offerors submit separate responses to the 16 questions for IMCC and ICP?	Offerors should distinguish ICP comments from SRS-IMCC comments and vice versa in a single submittal.
11	How does DOE-EM propose lowering the entry threshold for capable SB's which doesn't have the past performance; size, complexity which prohibits qualification? There are very	There is no dollar threshold for teaming subcontractors. Offeror teams should submit reference contracts that best demonstrate relevant past performance in the last three years for work each entity is proposed to perform.

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	capable non-DOE commercial experienced SB's that are limited by the 3-year past performance criteria.	
12	Please consider that the elimination of sample tasks is a major disadvantage to small businesses that are highly specialized and can provide major innovations if selected as part of the proposal evaluation by DOE.	DOE will evaluate innovation under all three proposal technical evaluation factors (Key Personnel, Past Performance, and Management Approach). Additionally, DOE has provided the initial post award task orders as part of the RFP to provide industry information that may aid in the development of team arrangements pre and post award.
13	The criteria as proposed in the draft RFP are biased towards current TIER 1's and current keys. DOE says it wants change and new companies. The draft procurement as written does not encourage this. How will DOE fix this perception?	The evaluation criteria in the DRFP reflects what DOE believes to be the most discriminating elements in the qualifications-based selection of the Offeror team that provides the best value to the Government. The streamlined proposal requirements are anticipated to lower the cost of entry (i.e. significantly reduce proposal preparation costs) in the EM cleanup market.